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PATENT APPLICATION

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For: NOVEL SYNTHETIC PEPTIDES WITH ANTIMICROBIAL AND ENDOTOXIN  
NEUTRALIZING PROPERTIES FOR MANAGEMENT OF THE SEPSIS SYNDROME

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

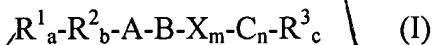
In response to the Office Action dated April 9, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2, 24, 25 and 41 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please enter the following amended claims:

1. (Twice Amended) A purified peptide comprising at least 12 amino acids, the peptide having an amino acid composition such that the peptide is amphipathic, cationic and forms a stable  $\alpha$ -helix and is represented by the following formula (I) or the retro orientation of formula (I):



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